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Inventor(s): Higgins et al.

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application of: Higgins et al.  
Serial Number: 10/827,476  
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For: **Surface Covering**  
Group Art Unit: 1794  
Examiner: Juska, Cheryl Ann

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**Amendment "E"**

In response to the Office Action dated June 12, 2008, Applicants submit the attached Amendments to the Claims and Remarks (to at least reduce the issues on appeal). Applicants respectfully believe the application to be in condition for allowance.

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